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In accordance with the duty of disclosure imposed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 to inform the Patent Office of all references known by Applicant or Applicant's representative that may be material to the examination of the subject application, Applicant's representative hereby provides this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement that is prepared in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.98 Forms PTO-1449 (6 pages) and copies of the cited documents are provided herewith in connection with the above-captioned application.

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

The documents listed on the Form PTO-1449 and supplied herewith are in the English language except items CU & CW which are in the Russian language. Items CU (Russian patent 2140211) & CW (Soviet Union patent 852321) are provided with an English language equivalent (items DC & DD respectively) . Hence, in accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, as amended effective March 16, 1992, no further explanation of the listed items is necessary.

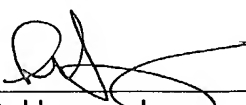
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Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner review the foregoing references and make them of record in the file history of the above-captioned application.

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	B	2003/0018344 (A1)	01/23/03	Kaji <i>et al.</i>	606/130	07/19/02
	C	2003/0018327 (A1)	01/23/03	Truckai <i>et al.</i>	606/32	07/18/02
	D	2002/0138135 (A1)	09/26/02	Duerig <i>et al.</i>	623/1.24	03/21/01
	E	2002/0112729 (A1)	08/22/02	DeVore <i>et al.</i>	128/207.15	02/21/01
	F	2002/0111620 (A1)	08/15/02	Cooper <i>et al.</i>	606/41	09/04/01
	G	2002/0111619 (A1)	08/14/02	Keast <i>et al.</i>	606/41	09/04/01
	H	2002/0087153 (A1)	07/04/02	Roschak <i>et al.</i>	606/27	09/04/01
	I	2002/0077593 (A1)	06/20/02	Perkins <i>et al.</i>	604/96.01	02/11/02
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	L	2001/0056274 (A1)	12/27/01	Perkins <i>et al.</i>	604/516	07/02/01
	M	2001/0052344 (A1)	12/20/01	Doshi	128/207	06/14/01
	N	2001/0051799 (A1)	12/13/01	Ingenito	604/516	04/20/01
	O	2001/0041906 (A1)	11/15/01	Gonzalez	606/191	07/24/01
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	T	3,874,388	04/01/75	King <i>et al.</i>	128/334	02/12/73
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	AE	4,852,568	08/01/89	Kensey	128/325	12/28/87
	AF	4,934,999	06/19/90	Bader	600/29	07/28/88
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	AJ	5,123,919	06/23/92	Sauter <i>et al.</i>	623/2	06/23/92
	AK	5,151,105	09/29/92	Kwan-Gett	623/1	10/07/91
	AL	5,161,524	11-92	Evans	128/203.15	
	AM	5,306,234	04/26/94	Johnson	604/49	03/23/93
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	AP	5,409,019	04/25/95	Wilk	128/898	11/03/93
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	BZ	01/54585 (A1)	8/2/01	PCT	
	CA	01/54685 (A1)	08/02/01	PCT	
	CB	01/66190 (A2)	09/13/01	PCT	
	CC	01/74271 (A1)	10/11/01	PCT	
	CD	01/87170 (A1)	11/22/01	PCT	
	CE	01/89366 (A2)	11/29/01	PCT	
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	CG	02/05884 (A2)	1/24/02	PCT	
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OTHER DOCUMENTS

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DB	Article: "Autocath® 100 – Nonsurgical, Intraurethral Bladder Control Device for Incontinent and Retentive Women – Dr. Kulisz's Development"
DC	Derwent citing Russian Patent No. RU 2140211, published 10/27/99, for: "Method of surgical treatment of patients with pathology of respiratory organs complicated with pulmonary hemorrhages"
DD	Derwent citing Soviet Union Patent No. SU 852-321, published 07/08/81, for: "Treatment for acute pulmonary and pleural disease in children - by pneumo-abcessotomy simultaneous with occlusion of affected lung part"
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